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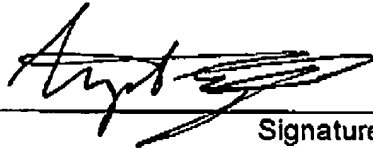
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 C. F. R. §1.111

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action in the above identified application dated August 19, 2005. The response is filed on behalf of the Applicants under 37 C. F. R. §1.34. Claims 1-10 are currently pending in the application.

Response to Election/Restriction of Claims Pursuant to 35 U. S. C. §121

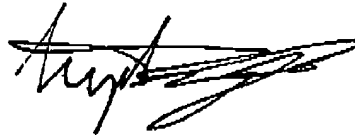
In the Office Action mailed August 19, 2005, Examiner has restricted Applicants to one of two inventions:

- I. Claims 1-5, drawn to composition, classified in class 526, subclass 88+.
- II. Claims 6-10, drawn to method, classified in class 526, subclass 171+.

Applicants provisionally elect invention I with traverse. Applicants traverse on the grounds that the composition and the method of using the composition are not patently distinct. Examiner cites use of the product as an adhesive. It is well established in the art of coatings and adhesives that a coating is not equivalent to an adhesive. Applicants composition is an excellent coating but the utility of the coating is that it is easily removed after curing, the antithesis of an adhesive. Applicant's coatings would not make useful adhesives. Applicants further argue it is not an undue burden to search the composition and its method of use.

Please charge any fees associated with this response to Deposit Account No. 18-1850. Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned to discuss any issues related to this application by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,



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